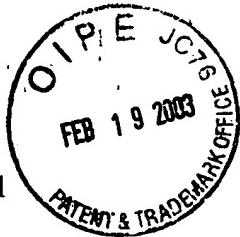


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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 15, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 16 and 22.

Please amend claims 1, 20 and 24-31 as follows:

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1. (Amended) A method of modifying a cornea of an eye, the cornea having an external surface, an internal portion and a main optical axis, the method comprising the steps of aiming a first laser at the internal portion of the cornea, adjacent the external surface, firing the first laser at the cornea, which separates the internal portion of the cornea forming a first internal surface and a second internal surface, the first internal surface facing in a posterior direction of the cornea and the second internal surface facing in an anterior direction of the cornea, the first and second internal surfaces forming an internal pocket therebetween,
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